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In re patent application of Frank Man-Woon NG et al.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments be entered into the application:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claim 35 in its entirety, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claim 17, line 3, delete "any one of claims 1 or 7 to 16" and insert --claim 1--.

Claim 34, line 1, delete "or claim 18".